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## West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence

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### Coalition Type

Domestic violence

### Year Formed

1979

### Year Incorporated

1981

### Staff

3 full-time-equivalent staff members

### Fiscal Year

July 1994 - June 1995

## West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services

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### Coalition Type

Sexual assault

### Year Formed

1982

### Year Incorporated

1982

### Staff

0 full-time-equivalent staff members

### Fiscal Year

July 1994 - June 1995

## West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence

### Member Programs and Services

Thirteen domestic violence programs operated in the state of West Virginia during fiscal year 1994-95. All were members of the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Eight of the 13 programs provided domestic violence services only, while the remaining 5 offered both domestic violence and sexual assault services.

Exhibit 1 displays the number of member programs that offered various domestic violence services. All programs provided the majority of services listed in this exhibit. The only two services that were not offered by any programs were an independently run domestic violence hotline and transitional or second-state housing.

In addition, all member programs offered specific components for populations such as children, the elderly, people with disabilities, women of color, lesbians, and women living in rural areas.

**Exhibit 1. Number of coalition member programs (N=13)  
offering various domestic violence services**

<u>Number of programs</u>	<u>Service</u>
0	Independently run domestic violence hotline
12	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
13	Support group for women
13	Legal advocacy program
13	Medical advocacy program
13	Specific support program for sheltered children
13	Services for non-sheltered children
13	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
13	Education programs in colleges or universities
13	Community education/speakers bureau
13	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
0	Transitional/second-stage housing
1	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
*	Other services

\* The 13 member programs did not provide information about services other than those listed in exhibit 1.

Five of the 13 member programs provided various sexual assault services in addition to their domestic violence services. The services rendered by those five programs are listed in exhibit 2, along with the number of programs that offered that particular service. All five programs offered a support group for adult women and adult survivors of child sexual abuse, as well as adult and child advocacy services for legal and medical reasons.

**Exhibit 2. Number of coalition member programs (N=5)  
offering various sexual assault services**

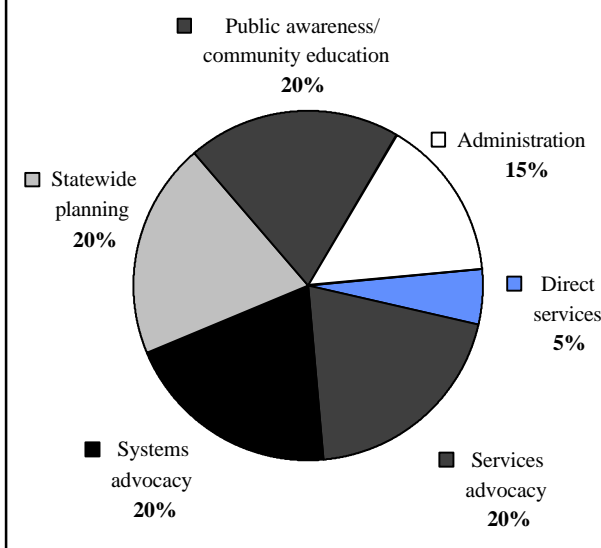
<b>Number of programs</b>	<b>Service</b>
0	Independently run sexual assault hotline
0	One-on-one counseling
5	Support group for adult women
0	Support group for teenage girls
0	Support group for male victims
5	Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse
0	Secondary support group for spouses/partners of victims
0	Secondary support group for parents of victims
5	Adult accompaniment and advocacy services
5	Child accompaniment and advocacy services
5	Legal advocacy program
5	Medical advocacy program
5	Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school
5	Education programs in colleges or universities
5	Community education/speakers bureau
5	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
5	Technical assistance
0	Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders
*	Other services

\* The five member programs did not provide information about services other than those listed in exhibit 2.

## Domestic Violence Coalition Operations

The West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence dedicated its efforts to six different operational areas during fiscal year 1994-95. Equal percentages of the coalition's effort were spent on services advocacy, systems advocacy, statewide planning, and public awareness/community education. The remaining 20 percent was divided between administration and direct services to victims (figure 1).

**Figure 1. Percentage of effort allocated at the domestic violence coalition level among various operations**



## Special Projects of the Domestic Violence Coalition

The West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence identified and described four special projects it conducted in order to enhance prevention of and response to domestic violence. Those projects are described below.

### **AmeriCorps**

*Description:* The coalition placed 12 AmeriCorps volunteers in eight sites throughout West Virginia to provide direct services and public education on issues of domestic violence.

*Purpose:* Direct services

*Funding source:* Federal funding

### **“The Courts, the Community, and the Law”**

*Description:* The West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence conducted a 3-day conference entitled “The Courts, the Community, and the Law” in order to develop coordinated and regional domestic violence response teams.

*Purpose:* Systems advocacy

*Funding source:* Nongovernmental funding

### **Law Enforcement Training Project**

*Description:* The Law Enforcement Training Project provided statewide training on law enforcement response to domestic violence calls. The training was conducted at eight locations throughout West Virginia.

*Purpose:* Systems advocacy

*Funding source:* Federal funding

### **West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence Health Partnership**

*Description:* The Health Partnership linked health care providers and domestic violence advocates in responding to health care needs of battered women.

*Purpose:* Systems advocacy

*Funding source:* Pro bono/volunteer

## Domestic Violence Coalition Funding

The West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence received funding that fell within the third quartile (\$175,001 - 425,000) of all funding received by state domestic violence coalitions responding to this inventory. Approximately 90 percent of this funding was used to support the internal work of the state coalition, with the remaining 10 percent being retained for expenditures in future fiscal years. The coalition did not distribute funding to member programs or other agencies.

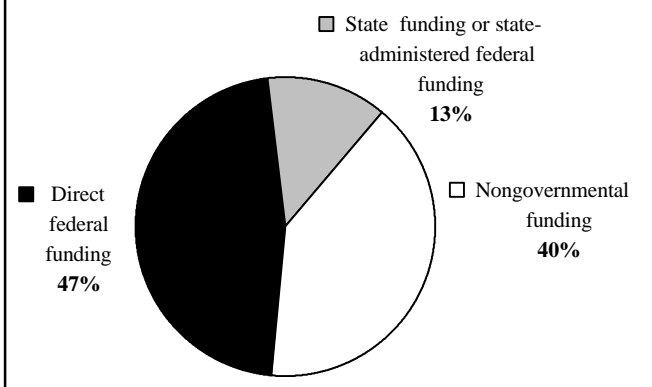
As figure 2 shows, almost half of the coalition's funding came directly from the federal government. An additional 40 percent came from various nongovernmental sources, and the remaining funds were administered by the West Virginia state government.

### Federal and State Funding

Exhibit 3 lists the sources of federal and state government funding provided to the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Over half of the federal funding came from a Family Violence Prevention and Services Act state coalition grant. The majority of the remaining funds came from the AmeriCorps program, and a small amount was distributed from the Drug and Violent Crime Control Act (listed under "other federal sources" in exhibit 3).

West Virginia dedicated funds, such as marriage license surcharges and divorce fees, provided all of the coalition's state funds.

**Figure 2. Funding sources and percentage of funds: West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence**



**Exhibit 3. Sources of government funding reported by the West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence**

<u>Direct federal funding</u>	<u>State funding or state-administered federal funding</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state coalition grant</li> <li>AmeriCorps</li> <li>Drug and Violent Crime Control</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dedicated funds (e.g., marriage license surcharge, divorce fees)</li> </ul>

### Nongovernmental Funding Sources

Foundation or corporate grants provided approximately three-fourths of the nongovernmental funding that the coalition received during fiscal year 1994-95 (exhibit 4). "Other nongovernmental sources" provided the next largest percentage of nongovernmental funding by the coalition. This included fundraising efforts, investment interest, and other miscellaneous sources. The remaining 5 percent was provided by both general membership and local program dues.

<b>Exhibit 4. Sources of nongovernmental funding* reported by West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence</b>	
<b><u>Source</u></b>	<b><u>Percentage of nongovernmental funding</u></b>
Foundation or corporate grants	74%
Local program dues	2%
General membership dues	4%
Other nongovernmental sources (fundraising, investment interest)	20%

\*Nongovernmental funding was 40% of total funding.

## **West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services**

### **Member Programs and Services**

The eight member programs of the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services represented all of the sexual assault programs operating in West Virginia during fiscal year 1994-95. Three of those programs provided services for sexual assault exclusively, while the remaining five programs provided both sexual assault services and domestic violence services.

A number of member programs rendered services for special populations. This included family and friends of victims of sexual assault, children, gay men, and juvenile and adult offenders.

Exhibit 5 displays the number of member programs that offered specific sexual assault services in fiscal year 1994-95.

**Exhibit 5. Number of coalition member programs (N=8)  
offering various sexual assault services**

<b><u>Number of programs</u></b>	<b><u>Service</u></b>
8	Independently run sexual assault hotline
8	One-on-one counseling
7	Support group for adult women
4	Support group for teenage girls
2	Support group for male victims
6	Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse
3	Secondary support groups for spouses/partners of victims
3	Secondary support groups for parents of victims
8	Adult accompaniment and advocacy services
8	Child accompaniment and advocacy services
8	Legal advocacy program
8	Medical advocacy program
8	Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school
8	Education programs in colleges or universities
8	Community education/speakers bureau
8	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
7	Technical assistance
1	Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders
*	Other services

\* The eight member programs did not provide information about services other than those listed in exhibit 5.

In addition to offering sexual assault services, five of the eight member programs provided services for victims of domestic violence. Those five programs offered all of the services listed in exhibit 6 with two exceptions. Only one program offered treatment or rehabilitation for batterers, and no program provided transitional or second-stage housing.

**Exhibit 6. Number of coalition member programs (N=5) offering various domestic violence services**

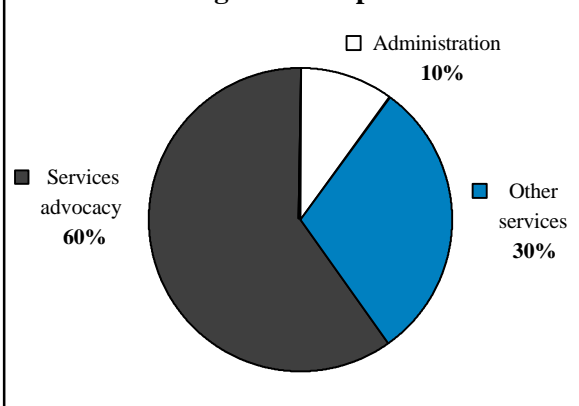
<b><u>Number of programs</u></b>	<b><u>Service</u></b>
5	Independently run domestic violence hotline
5	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
5	Support group for women
5	Legal advocacy program
5	Medical advocacy program
5	Specific support program for sheltered children
5	Services for non-sheltered children
5	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
5	Education programs in colleges or universities
5	Community education/speakers bureau
5	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
0	Transitional/second-stage housing
1	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
*	Other services

\* The five member programs did not provide information about services other than those listed in exhibit 6.

## Sexual Assault Coalition Operations

The West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services divided its time among three operations during fiscal year 1994-95 (figure 3). Approximately 60 percent of its efforts went towards services advocacy, that is, work to support the growth and development of community-based sexual assault programs in West Virginia. An additional 30 percent of the foundation's efforts were directed at implementing statewide protocol (shown as "other services" in figure 3). The remaining 10 percent was spent on activities directed at supporting administrative functioning, such as fiscal and programmatic record keeping, staff management, and fundraising.

**Figure 3. Percentage of effort allocated at the sexual assault coalition level among various operations**



## Special Projects of the Sexual Assault Coalition

The foundation identified one special project it undertook in fiscal year 1994-95 to help enhance prevention of and response to sexual assault.



### Implementing State Protocol

*Description* The West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services provided a statewide training program and a statewide teleconference.

*Purpose:* Services advocacy

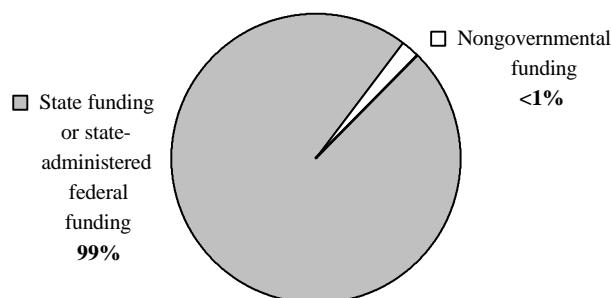
*Funding source:* State funding

### Sexual Assault Coalition Funding

The West Virginia Foundation for Rape and Information Services received funding that fell within the second quartile (\$7,001 - 75,000) of all funding received by state sexual assault coalitions in this inventory. Almost two-thirds of its funding was passed to member programs and/or other agencies for direct services to victims. The remaining funds were used to support the foundation's special project of implementing statewide protocol and the foundation's office administration and operating expenses.

Figure 4 depicts the percentage of funding that the foundation received from two sources. Virtually all funding was state funding or state-administered federal funding. A small percentage of funds came from two nongovernmental sources, and some funds were carried over from the previous fiscal year.

**Figure 4. Funding sources and percentage of funds: West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services**



### Federal and State Funding

As exhibit 7 shows, the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services received all of its governmental funding from a state-administered Social Services Block Grant (SSBG).

<b>Exhibit 7. Sources of government funding reported by the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services</b>	
<u><b>Direct federal funding</b></u>	<u><b>State funding or state-administered federal funding</b></u>
None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)</li> </ul>

### Nongovernmental Funding Sources

Two nongovernmental sources provided the foundation with a small amount of funds. Both general membership dues and other nongovernmental sources allotted similar percentages of funding to the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services (exhibit 8). Other nongovernmental sources included investment interest and monies carried over from previous fiscal years.

<b>Exhibit 8. Sources of nongovernmental funding* reported by the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services</b>	
<b><u>Source</u></b>	<b><u>Percentage of nongovernmental funding</u></b>
General membership dues	46%
Investment interest, carryover funds	54%

\*Nongovernmental funding was <1% of total funding.

### **Funds Passed to Local Programs**

The foundation passed on almost two-thirds of its funding to member programs and/or other agencies for direct services during fiscal year 1994-95. All of the monies that were passed on were provided by a West Virginia Social Services Block Grant (SSBG).

## **West Virginia State Government Agencies**

Four state government agencies administered funding for domestic violence and sexual assault services in West Virginia during fiscal year 1994-95. A total of \$1,978,000 was administered to various local government agencies, nonprofit agencies, and local programs that provide services to victims. The four agencies and the amount of funding that passed through each are outlined below.

### **West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Office of Social Services**

**Fiscal year: July 1994 - June 1995**

A total of \$1,084,000 was distributed by the Department of Health and Human Resources through its Office of Social Services. The department administered funds for both domestic violence and sexual assault services; however, it was unable to report separately for the two services. The entire amount of funding was administered to 13 local programs that provided domestic violence and/or sexual assault programs.

The federal government provided \$443,000 of the department's funding, while the state government contributing the remaining \$640,000.

### **West Virginia Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety Criminal Justice and Highway Safety**

**Fiscal year: July 1994 - June 1995**

The West Virginia Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety distributed \$589,000 in federal funding in fiscal year 1994-95. Organizations and local government agencies that provided domestic violence services received \$399,000, and organizations that provided sexual assault services obtained the remaining \$190,000.

**Department of Economic Opportunity****Fiscal year: January 1994 - June 1995**

The Department of Economic Opportunity received \$240,000 in federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds during fiscal year 1994-95. The department was unable to report separately for funds distributed for domestic violence versus sexual assault; however, all of its funding was administered to local nonprofit agencies as well as the state coalition in West Virginia.

**West Virginia Department of Health,  
Offices of Emergency Medical Services****Fiscal year: July 1994 - June 1995**

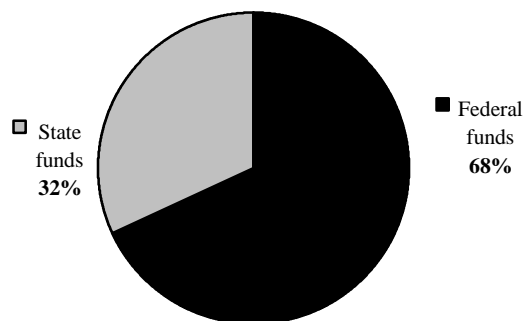
While the other three state agencies in West Virginia administered funds for both domestic violence and sexual assault, the West Virginia Department of Health only distributed funds for sexual assault services, \$65,000 from a federal Preventive Health Block Grant. All funds were distributed to the West Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services.

**Federal and State Funding Reported by  
West Virginia State Government Agencies**

About two-thirds of the funding received by West Virginia state agencies for domestic violence and sexual assault services came from the federal government (figure 5 and exhibit 9). The remaining 32 percent was provided by the West Virginia state government.

<b>Exhibit 9. Federal and state funding totals reported by West Virginia state agencies</b>	
Federal	\$1,337,000
State	\$640,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,977,000</b>

**Figure 5. Percentage of federal and state funds for domestic violence and sexual assault services and prevention administered by West Virginia state agencies**

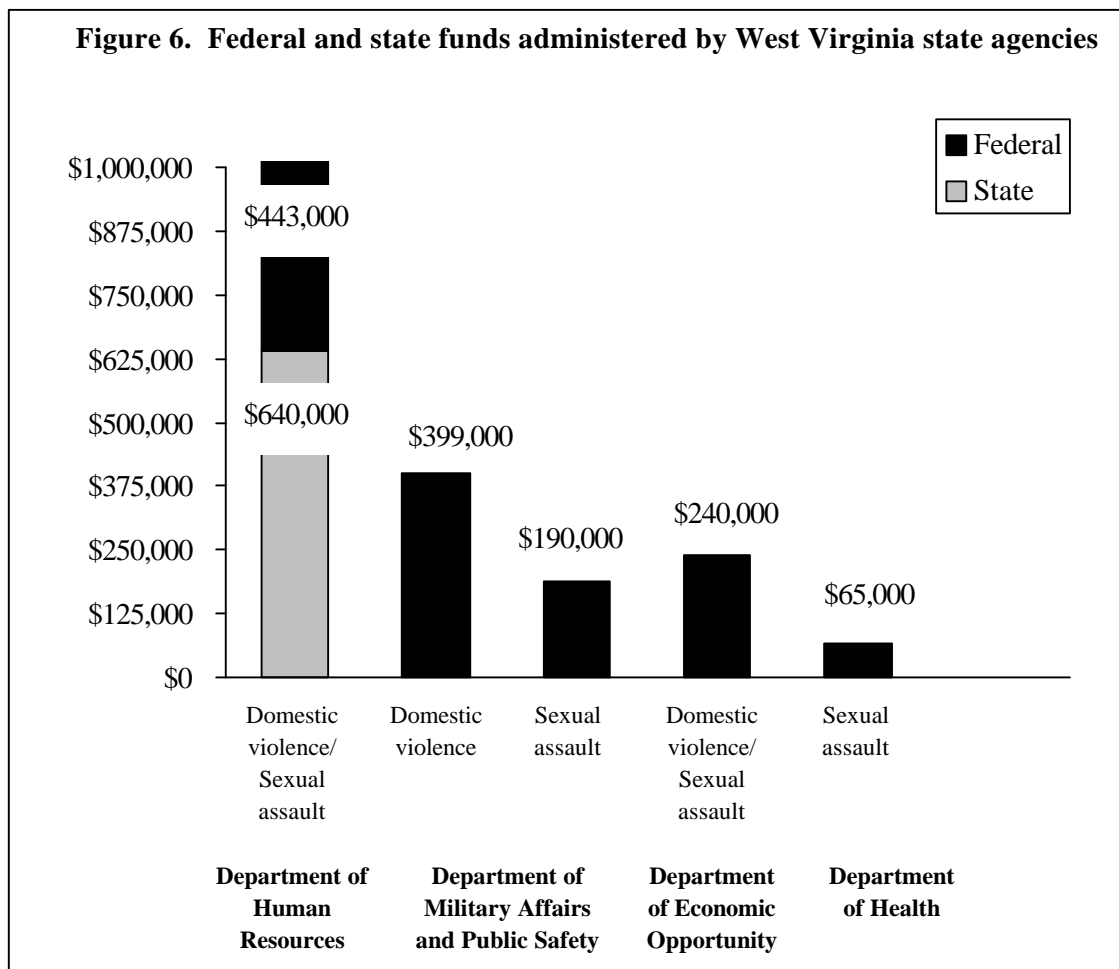


As listed in exhibit 10, more federal than state sources provided funding in West Virginia for domestic violence and sexual assault services. The Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) provided the largest amount of federal funds, while similar amounts of funding came from a Social Services Block Grant, a state formula grant under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA), and other federal sources such as HUD and an Edward Byrne Memorial Grant.

Almost three-fourths of state funds came from special fees or surcharges, specifically, marriage and divorce surcharges. The remaining state funds came from West Virginia tax revenues/general fund.

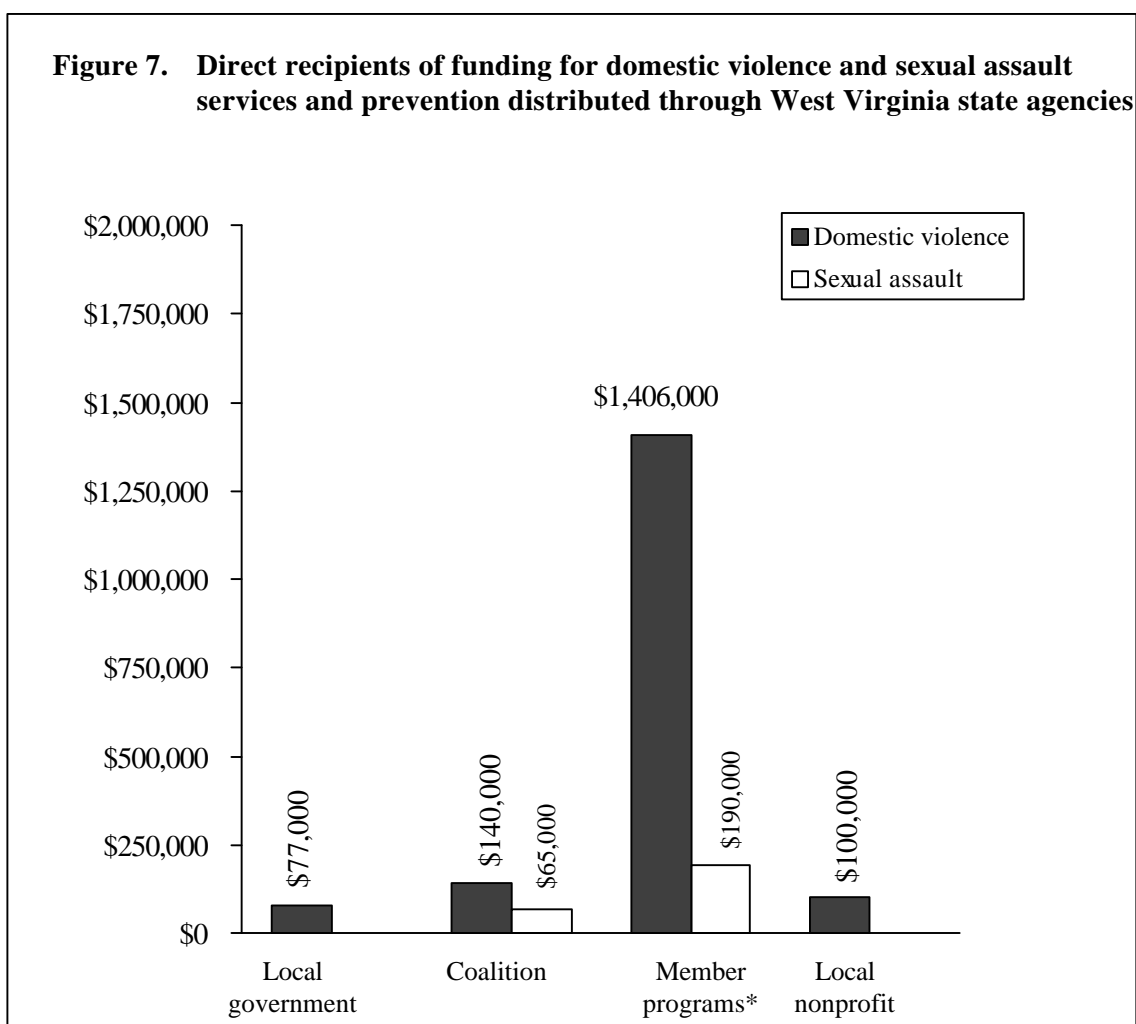
<b>Exhibit 10. Sources of government funding reported by West Virginia state agencies</b>	
<b><u>Federal funds</u></b>	<b><u>State funds</u></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) - \$579,000</li> <li>• Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) - \$243,000</li> <li>• Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) state formula grant - \$200,000</li> <li>• Preventive Health Block Grant - \$65,000</li> <li>• HUD - \$240,000</li> <li>• Edward Byrne Memorial Grant - \$10,000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tax revenues/general fund - \$178,000</li> <li>• Special fees or surcharges - \$463,000</li> </ul>

As figure 6 depicts, the Department of Human Resources distributed the largest amount of funding for domestic violence and sexual assault services in West Virginia. In addition, this department was also the only agency to distribute any state funds. The remaining agencies distributed a total of \$894,000 in federal funds.



## Distribution of State-Administered Funds

Considered as a group, member programs that provided domestic violence and sexual assault services received approximately 80 percent, or \$1,596,000, of all funding distributed by West Virginia state agencies (figure 7). Funding received by local government agencies, the state coalitions, and local nonprofit/nongovernmental agencies is also shown. Two of the four state agencies that distributed domestic violence and sexual assault funds could not report separately for the two services in West Virginia. Their funding is categorized as being distributed for domestic violence services, though some of the funding also benefited sexual assault services. The other two state agencies were able to report separately on the two types of funding they distributed.



\*Included are seven programs that are not members of either coalition in West Virginia.

## Local Programs and Services Funded Through State Agencies

All but seven of the local programs funded through West Virginia state agencies in fiscal year 1994-95 were members of the state coalitions. Four of the seven programs provided domestic violence and sexual assault services, the remaining three provided sexual assault services exclusively. In addition to providing these services, three of the programs served all victims of crime.

Exhibit 11 shows the number of these non-member programs that offered various domestic violence services. The programs did not provide the majority of services listed; however, all programs did offer a legal advocacy program and educational programs in colleges or universities.

**Exhibit 11. Number of local programs (N=4)  
offering various domestic violence services**

<b><u>Number of programs</u></b>	<b><u>Service</u></b>
0	Independently run domestic violence hotline
0	On-site shelter for abused women and their children
0	Support group for women
4	Legal advocacy program
1	Medical advocacy program
0	Specific support program for sheltered children
1	Services for non-sheltered children
1	Education programs in elementary schools or high schools
4	Education programs in colleges or universities
3	Community education/speakers bureau
3	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
0	Transitional/second-stage housing
0	Treatment/rehabilitation program for batterers
*	Other services

\* The four programs that offered domestic violence services did not provide information about services other than those listed.

Of the seven programs that offered sexual assault services, all rendered services for a legal advocacy program, as well as child accompaniment and advocacy. Exhibit 12 lists the number of programs that offered particular sexual assault services.

**Exhibit 12. Number of local programs (N=7)  
offering various sexual assault services**

<b><u>Number of programs</u></b>	<b><u>Service</u></b>
1	Independently run sexual assault hotline
3	One-on-one counseling
3	Support group for adult women
3	Support group for teenage girls
3	Support group for male victims
3	Support group for adult survivors of child sexual abuse
3	Secondary support group for spouses/partners of victims
3	Secondary support group for parents of victims
6	Adult accompaniment and advocacy services
7	Child accompaniment and advocacy services
7	Legal advocacy program
5	Medical advocacy program
3	Prevention/risk reduction programs in preschool, elementary, middle, or high school
5	Education programs in colleges or universities
5	Community education/speakers bureau
5	Training for professionals (e.g., police, court personnel, social workers)
3	Technical assistance
0	Treatment/rehabilitation for sexual offenders
*	Other services

\* The seven programs that offered sexual assault services did not provide information about services other than those listed.

